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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

In re application of

Docket No: Q88494

Shiro SHIBAYAMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/538,364

Group Art Unit: 1646

Confirmation No.: 6855

Examiner: Prema Mertz

Filed: June 13, 2005

For:

ANTAGONIST AND AGONIST WHICH BIND TO A STRONG BINDING SITE OF

CHEMOKINE RECEPTOR

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action dated October 24, 2006, Applicant elects Group 11 (Claim 9). This election is made without traverse.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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